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## Testimony

In Support of S. J. No. 23

A Resolution Proposing an Amendment to the State Constitution Limiting the Use of Moneys Contained in the Special Transportation Fund

**Transportation Committee** 

March 5, 2014

Dear Senator Maynard, Representative Guerrera, Senator Boucher, Representative Scribner and other esteemed members of the Transportation Committee:

Thank you for the opportunity to testify in support of S. J. No. 23; A Resolution Proposing an Amendment to the State Constitution Limiting the Use of Moneys Contained in the Special Transportation Fund.

A safe and modernized transportation infrastructure is essential for the flow of goods and services to and from Connecticut. Our infrastructure is in need of extensive repairs and funding needs to have a lockbox in place to ensure that improvements are made to our railroad and highway system.

For many years, the Legislature has used the Special Transportation Fund to fill in the state's overall budget. I urge the committee to support S. J. 23 because we need our special transportation funds to be used for their intended purpose.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit testimony on this important bill.

Sincerely,

Sam Belsito

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